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SUMMONS

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 Office Address 650 From Road, Suite 565
 Town, State, Zip Code Paramus, New Jersey 07652
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 Attorney(s) for Plaintiff JAMES O'KEEFE, III

Plaintiff(s)

Vs.

WDC MEDIA, LLC; MAINJUSTICE.COM; JOHN DOE
INDIVIDUALS 1 TO 5; ABC CROPORATIONS 1 TO 5
 Defendant(s)

From The State of New Jersey To The Defendant(s) Named Above:

The plaintiff, named above, has filed a lawsuit against you in the Superior Court of New Jersey. The complaint attached to this summons states the basis for this lawsuit. If you dispute this complaint, you or your attorney must file a written answer or motion and proof of service with the deputy clerk of the Superior Court in the county listed above within 35 days from the date you received this summons, not counting the date you received it. (A directory of the addresses of each deputy clerk of the Superior Court is available in the Civil Division Management Office in the county listed above and online at http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/prose/10153_deptyclerklawref.pdf.) If the complaint is one in foreclosure, then you must file your written answer or motion and proof of service with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 971, Trenton, NJ 08625-0971. A filing fee payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey and a completed Case Information Statement (available from the deputy clerk of the Superior Court) must accompany your answer or motion when it is filed. You must also send a copy of your answer or motion to plaintiff's attorney whose name and address appear above, or to plaintiff, if no attorney is named above. A telephone call will not protect your rights; you must file and serve a written answer or motion (with fee of \$135.00 and completed Case Information Statement) if you want the court to hear your defense.

If you do not file and serve a written answer or motion within 35 days, the court may enter a judgment against you for the relief plaintiff demands, plus interest and costs of suit. If judgment is entered against you, the Sheriff may seize your money, wages or property to pay all or part of the judgment.

If you cannot afford an attorney, you may call the Legal Services office in the county where you live or the Legal Services of New Jersey Statewide Hotline at 1-888-LSNJ-LAW (1-888-576-5529). If you do not have an attorney and are not eligible for free legal assistance, you may obtain a referral to an attorney by calling one of the Lawyer Referral Services. A directory with contact information for local Legal Services Offices and Lawyer Referral Services is available in the Civil Division Management Office in the county listed above and online at http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/prose/10153_deptyclerklawref.pdf.



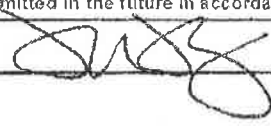
S/Elizabeth Ann Strom
 Clerk of the Superior Court

DATED: 09/25/2013Name of Defendant to Be Served: WDC MEDIA, LLCAddress of Defendant to Be Served: 2122 P. Street NW, Suite 201, Washington, D.C., 20037

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 CIVIL CASE INFORMATION STATEMENT (CIS) Use for initial Law Division Civil Part pleadings (not motions) under <i>Rule</i> 4:5-1 Pleading will be rejected for filing, under <i>Rule</i> 1:5-6(c), if information above the black bar is not completed or attorney's signature is not affixed		FOR USE BY CLERK'S OFFICE ONLY	
		PAYMENT TYPE: <input type="checkbox"/> CK <input type="checkbox"/> GG <input type="checkbox"/> CA	CHG/CK NO.
ATTORNEY/PRO SE NAME Matthew R. Major, Esq.		TELEPHONE NUMBER (201) 261-1700	COUNTY OF VENUE Bergen
FIRM NAME (if applicable) Callagy Law, LLC		DOCKET NUMBER (when available) 1-7145-13	
OFFICE ADDRESS Mack-Cali Centre II 650 From Road - Suite 565 Paramus, NJ 07652		DOCUMENT TYPE Complaint	
NAME OF PARTY (e.g., John Doe, Plaintiff) James O'Keefe, III, Plaintiff		CAPTION O'Keefe v. WDC Media, et al.	
CASE TYPE NUMBER (See reverse side for listing) 609	HURRICANE SANDY RELATED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	IS THIS A PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE CASE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YOU HAVE CHECKED "YES," SEE N.J.S.A. 2A:53 A -27 AND APPLICABLE CASE LAW REGARDING YOUR OBLIGATION TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF MERIT.	
RELATED CASES PENDING? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		IF YES, LIST DOCKET NUMBERS	
DO YOU ANTICIPATE ADDING ANY PARTIES (arising out of same transaction or occurrence)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		NAME OF DEFENDANT'S PRIMARY INSURANCE COMPANY (if known) <input type="checkbox"/> NONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN	
THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM CANNOT BE INTRODUCED INTO EVIDENCE.			
CASE CHARACTERISTICS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING IF CASE IS APPROPRIATE FOR MEDIATION			
DO PARTIES HAVE A CURRENT, PAST OR RECURRENT RELATIONSHIP? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		IF YES, IS THAT RELATIONSHIP: <input type="checkbox"/> EMPLOYER/EMPLOYEE <input type="checkbox"/> FRIEND/NEIGHBOR <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (explain) <input type="checkbox"/> FAMILIAL <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS	
DOES THE STATUTE GOVERNING THIS CASE PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF FEES BY THE LOSING PARTY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			
USE THIS SPACE TO ALERT THE COURT TO ANY SPECIAL CASE CHARACTERISTICS THAT MAY WARRANT INDIVIDUAL MANAGEMENT OR ACCELERATED DISPOSITION			
 DO YOU OR YOUR CLIENT NEED ANY DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		IF YES, PLEASE IDENTIFY THE REQUESTED ACCOMMODATION	
WILL AN INTERPRETER BE NEEDED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		IF YES, FOR WHAT LANGUAGE?	
I certify that confidential personal identifiers have been redacted from documents now submitted to the court, and will be redacted from all documents submitted in the future in accordance with <i>Rule</i> 1:38-7(b).			
ATTORNEY SIGNATURE: 			

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Side 2			
 <div> CIVIL CASE INFORMATION STATEMENT (CIS) Use for initial pleadings (not motions) under Rule 4:5-1 </div>			
CASE TYPES (Choose one and enter number of case type in appropriate space on the reverse side.)			
Track I - 160 days' discovery			
161	NAME CHANGE		
176	FORFEITURE		
302	TENANCY		
399	REAL PROPERTY (other than Tenancy, Contract, Condemnation, Complex Commercial or Construction)		
502	BOOK ACCOUNT (debt collection matters only)		
506	OTHER INSURANCE CLAIM (including declaratory judgment actions)		
506	PIP COVERAGE		
510	UM or UIM CLAIM (coverage issues only)		
511	ACTION ON NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT		
512	LEMON LAW		
801	SUMMARY ACTION		
802	OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (summary action)		
999	OTHER (briefly describe nature of action)		
Track II - 300 days' discovery			
305	CONSTRUCTION		
509	EMPLOYMENT (other than CEPA or LAD)		
599	CONTRACT/COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION		
603N	AUTO NEGLIGENCE - PERSONAL INJURY (non-verbal threshold)		
603Y	AUTO NEGLIGENCE - PERSONAL INJURY (verbal threshold)		
605	PERSONAL INJURY		
610	AUTO NEGLIGENCE - PROPERTY DAMAGE		
621	UM or UIM CLAIM (includes bodily injury)		
999	TORT - OTHER		
Track III - 450 days' discovery			
005	CIVIL RIGHTS		
301	CONDEMNATION		
602	ASSAULT AND BATTERY		
004	MEDICAL MALPRACTICE		
006	PRODUCT LIABILITY		
607	PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE		
608	TOXIC TORT		
609	DEFAMATION		
616	WHISTLEBLOWER / CONSCIENTIOUS EMPLOYEE PROTECTION ACT (CEPA) CASES		
617	INVERSE CONDEMNATION		
618	LAW AGAINST DISCRIMINATION (LAD) CASES		
Track IV - Active Case Management by Individual Judge / 450 days' discovery			
156	ENVIRONMENTAL/ENVIRONMENTAL COVERAGE LITIGATION		
303	MT. LAUREL		
508	COMPLEX COMMERCIAL		
513	COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION		
514	INSURANCE FRAUD		
620	FALSE CLAIMS ACT		
701	ACTIONS IN LIEU OF PREROGATIVE WRITS		
Multi-county Litigation (Track IV)			
266	HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY (HRT)	288	PRUDENTIAL TORT LITIGATION
271	ACQUATANC/SOTRETINOL	289	REGLAN
274	RISPERDAL/SEROQUEL/ZYPREXA	290	POMPTON LAKES ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION
278	ZOMETAX/AREXIA	291	PELVIC MESH/GYNECARE
279	GADOLINIUM	292	PELVIC MESH/BARD
281	BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB ENVIRONMENTAL	293	DEPUY ASR HIP IMPLANT LITIGATION
282	FOSAMAX	295	ALLODERM REGENERATIVE TISSUE MATRIX
284	NUVARING	296	STRYKER REJUVENATE/ABG II MODULAR HIP STEM COMPONENTS
285	STRYKER TRIDENT HIP IMPLANTS	297	MIRENA CONTRACEPTIVE DEVICE
286	LEVAQUIN	601	ASBESTOS
287	YAZ/YASMIN/OCELLA	623	PROPECIA
If you believe this case requires a track other than that provided above, please indicate the reason on Side 1, in the space under "Case Characteristics."			
Please check off each applicable category <input type="checkbox"/> Putative Class Action <input type="checkbox"/> Title 59			

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SUPERIOR COURT LAW DIV
BERGEN COUNTY JUSTICE CTR RM 415
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TRACK ASSIGNMENT NOTICE

COURT TELEPHONE NO. (201) 527-2600
COURT HOURS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2013
RE: KEEPE III VS WDC MEDIA
DOCKET: BER L -007145 13

THE ABOVE CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO: TRACK 3.

DISCOVERY IS 450 DAYS AND RUNS FROM THE FIRST ANSWER OR 90 DAYS
FROM SERVICE ON THE FIRST DEFENDANT, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.

THE PRETRIAL JUDGE ASSIGNED IS: HON ROBERT C. WILSON

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT TEAM 002
AT: (201) 527-2600.

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT THE TRACK IS INAPPROPRIATE YOU MUST FILE A
CERTIFICATION OF GOOD CAUSE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE FILING OF YOUR PLEADING.
PLAINTIFF MUST SERVE COPIES OF THIS FORM ON ALL OTHER PARTIES IN ACCORDANCE
WITH R.4:5A-2.

ATTENTION:

ATT: MATTHEW R. MAJOR ESQ
CALLAGY LLC SEAN R
650 FROM ROAD SUITE 565
PARAMUS NJ 07652

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JAMES O'KEEFE, III,

Plaintiff,

v.

**WDC MEDIA, LLC,
MAINJUSTICE.COM, JOHN DOE:
INDIVIDUALS 1 TO 5, AND ABC
CORPORATIONS 1 TO 5,****Defendants.**SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTY

DOCKET NO.: BER-L- 7145 -13

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff James O'Keefe, III, ("Plaintiff") by way of Complaint against the Defendants WDC Media, LLC ("WDC Media"), MainJustice.com ("MainJustice.com"), John Doe Individuals 1 to 5, and ABC Corporations 1 to 5 (collectively referred to as the "Defendants") alleges as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff, James O'Keefe, III ("Plaintiff") is an individual residing at 121 Goodwin Terrace, Westwood, New Jersey. No earlier than August 26, 2013, Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer damage by the defamatory article published by the Defendants.
2. Upon information and belief, Defendant, WDC Media, LLC ("WDC Media") is a limited liability corporation with its principal location at 2122 P. St. NW, Suite 201, Washington, D.C., 20037. Upon further information and belief, WDC Media is the publisher of

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Defendant MainJustice.com and is directly responsible for maliciously publishing the false and defamatory statements referenced herein.

3. Upon information and belief, Defendant, MainJustice.com ("MainJustice.com") is a business entity primarily controlled by Defendant WDC Media, with its principal location at 2122 P. St. NW, Suite 201, Washington, D.C., 20037. MainJustice.com is the online website wherein the false and defamatory statements referenced herein are maliciously published.

4. Defendant's John Doe Individuals 1 to 5 are fictitious names representing one or more persons whose identities are presently unknown to Plaintiff, but who caused, contributed and/or benefited from the conduct of the other Defendants as set forth below. Plaintiff will seek leave to amend this Complaint to state the true names and capacities of the fictitiously names individual Defendants when they become ascertained.

5. Defendant's ABC Corporation 1 to 5 are fictitious names representing one or more public or private corporations or business entities whose identities are presently unknown to Plaintiff, but which Defendant controls and caused, contributed and/or benefited from the conduct of the other Defendants as set forth below. Plaintiff will seek leave to amend this Complaint to state the true names and capacities of the fictitiously named corporate Defendants when they become ascertained.

COUNT ONE

Libel and Libel Per Se

6. Defendant WDC Media publishes and maintains an internet news website titled MainJustice.com.

7. No earlier than August 26, 2013, Defendants falsely and maliciously published that Plaintiff; "pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges that [Plaintiff] entered the suburban New

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Orleans offices of Sen. Mary Landrieu under false pretenses. Wearing hard hats, tool belts and reflective vests, [Plaintiff] had pretended to be telephone repairman and were apparently trying to *bug* Landrieu's phones" (emphasis added). This statement was not true when made by the Defendants.

8. On August 29, 2013, Plaintiff and/or the Plaintiff's representatives notified Defendants of the statement's falsity. Specifically, Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's representatives forwarded to Defendants the written guilty plea referenced in Defendants' published article which states in pertinent, ". . . further investigation did not uncover evidence that the defendants intended to commit any felony Instead, the Government's evidence would show that the defendants misrepresented themselves and their purpose for gaining access . . . not to actually tamper with the phone system, or to commit any other felony."

9. After being advised by the Plaintiff and/or the Plaintiff's representatives of the statement's falsity, Defendants, no earlier than August 29, 2013, modified the online publication to read that Plaintiff, "pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges that [Plaintiff] entered the suburban New Orleans offices of Sen. Mary Landrien under false pretenses. Wearing hard hats, tool belts and reflective vests, [Plaintiff] had pretended to be telephone repairman and were apparently trying to *tamper* with Landrieu's phones" (emphasis added). This statement was not true when made by the Defendant.

10. Despite being informed that both statements were false, Defendants did not publish a retraction even though Defendants were made aware that the responsible United States Attorney determined that there was no evidence that Plaintiff tampered, bugged or intended to tamper with or bug the Senator's phones.

11. By maliciously publishing for a second time the false statement that Plaintiff

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had attempted to "tamper with" a Senator's phones, which would constitute a felony if true, the Defendants committed libel or defamation *per se*. Moreover, the statement was made with actual knowledge of its falsity and malice driven by the Defendants' opinion that Plaintiff was a "conservative prankster," who, "specializes in often deceptively edited undercover camera work."

12. Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer damages as a result of the malicious conduct of the Defendants including, but not limited to, loss of reputation in the community and the reluctance of others to associate with him in his business.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against the Defendants for all monetary damages permitted by law, including an award of punitive damages, plus a mandatory injunction compelling the Defendants to publish another retraction with language approved by the Court, costs, attorneys' fees and such other relief as the Court may deem appropriate and just.

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CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO R. 4:5-1

I certify that the matters in controversy in this action are not the subject of any other action pending in any other court or of a pending arbitration proceeding. No other action or arbitration proceeding is presently contemplated and I am presently aware of no other parties that should be joined in this action.

JURY DEMAND

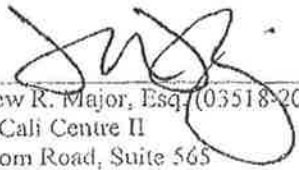
Plaintiff hereby demands trial by a jury on all issues in this matter.

DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

Matthew R. Major, Esq. is hereby designated as trial counsel.

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DEMAND FOR DISCOVERY OF INSURANCE COVERAGE

Pursuant to New Jersey Court Rule 4:10-2(b), demand is made that Defendant disclose to Plaintiff's attorney whether or not there are any insurance agreements or policies under which any person or firm carrying on an insurance business may be liable to satisfy part or all of a judgment which may be entered in this action or indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy the judgment and provide Plaintiff's attorney with true copies of those insurance agreements or policies, including, but not limited to, any and all declaration sheets. This demand shall include and cover not only primary coverage, but also any and all excess, catastrophe and umbrella policies.

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Dated: September 16, 2013

Mary Jacoby

From: Daniel Francisco <daniel@projectveritas.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 11:38 AM
To: Mary Jacoby
Subject: Re: Correction Request: please respond

We appreciate your attention to this matter. Please know it has nothing to do with indignation - the Government prosecuting the case was quite clear as to what happened in that incident, regardless of whatever personal beliefs are held regarding what transpired. No one deserves to be misrepresented as intending to commit a felony, when no such thing happened.

In your words, as bone fide journalists, your team could have read this document which has been widely available for over 3 years, straight from the very source of the office that prosecuted the case. Instead, the author elected to publish something that was both factually inaccurate and potentially damaging to O'Keefe's reputation.

Now that you have the court document, I look forward to seeing the update.

Lastly, I notice at the bottom of the article it mentions the author was unable to reach O'Keefe or Letten for comment. Could you forward to me the original email of the individual within our organization you contacted for comment? I was not notified of any communication from your team, and I would like to follow up internally with whoever received that request and failed to forward it to me.

Thank you,

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Executive Director
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On Aug 29, 2013, at 10:56 AM, Mary Jacoby wrote:

Hello Daniel –

As bone fide journalists, we strive for accuracy and will add a clarification at your request. However, please spare me the indignation – no serious person would pull this kind of stunt.

Best regards,
Mary

Mary Jacoby
Editor-in-Chief | Main Justice
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From: Daniel Francisco [mailto:daniel@projectveritas.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2013 10:28 AM
To: Editors
Subject: Correction Request: please respond

In your article "Former U.S. Attorney Jim Letten Unloads on Conservative Prankster James O'Keefe" (<http://www.mainjustice.com/2010/01/26/acting-u-s-attorneys-son-tried-to-bug-senators-office/>) there is a line that reads as such:

"...activists had pretended to be telephone repairmen and were apparently trying to bug Landrieu's phones."

This is a slanderous statement, which has already been disproven by the Eastern Louisiana district court 3 years ago in a widely available affidavit. There was no attempt, "apparent" or otherwise, to tamper with the phone systems in any way. Please refer to the last paragraph on page 6 of the attached affidavit, particularly these quoted lines:

"...further investigation did not uncover evidence that the defendants intended to commit any felony...."

"...the Government's evidence would show that the defendants misrepresented themselves and their purpose for gaining access to the central phone system to orchestrate a conversation about phone calls to the Senator's staff and capture the conversation on video, **not to actually tamper with the phone system, or to commit any other felony.**"

We request that you issue a public retraction to your readers and correct your article. Attempting to "bug" phones in a Senator's office is a serious crime, and an irresponsible thing to report when the court affidavit has been made widely available to the public.

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	*	CRIMINAL NO. 10-081
v.	*	SECTION: K (3)
JOSEPH BASEL	*	VIOLATION: 18 U.S.C. § 1036(a)
STAN DAI		18 U.S.C. § 2
ROBERT FLANAGAN	*	
JAMES O'KEEFE		

* * *

FACTUAL BASIS

The defendants, **JOSEPH BASEL, STAN DAI, ROBERT FLANAGAN, and JAMES O'KEEFE** (collectively, "the defendants"), have agreed to plead guilty as charged to the one-count Bill of Information charging them with misdemeanor entry, or causing the entry, by false pretenses to real property of the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1036(a)(1), (b)(2), and 2. In pleading guilty, the defendants admit the following facts as set forth below.

Should this matter have gone to trial, the Government would have proved beyond a reasonable doubt, through the introduction of competent testimony and admissible evidence, the following facts to support the allegations charged by the United States Attorney in the Bill of

Fee _____
Process _____
X Dkt'd _____
CtRmDep _____
Doc. No. _____

Information:

The Hale Boggs Federal Building, located at 500 Poydras Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130, is owned and operated by the United States of America and managed by the United States General Services Administration (hereinafter "GSA"). The Hale Boggs Federal Building houses the offices of numerous federal agencies and federal officials, including the New Orleans office of United States Senator Mary Landrieu. As such, the office constitutes real property belonging to the United States.

In addition to Title 18, United States Code, Section 1036, there are additional rules and regulations governing conduct on federal property. These rules and regulations are codified in various portions of the United States Code, Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and in the Local Rules. These types of laws, regulations and rules are meant to insure the safety and security of the occupants, visitors, proceedings and buildings of the Federal government.

The General Services Administration ("GSA"), the United States Marshals Service, the Court Security Officers, the Federal Protective Service, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, among others, are tasked, individually and collectively, with maintaining the highest level of security for federal buildings in order to prevent incidents that could jeopardize the safety and security of people with business in the Federal Complex. As such, conduct in all offices contained in the Federal Complex is governed by all of the laws, regulations, and rules referenced above.

On or about January 20, 2010, **JOSEPH BASEL ("BASEL")**, **STAN DAI ("DAI")**, **ROBERT FLANAGAN ("FLANAGAN")**, and **JAMES O'KEEFE ("O'KEEFE")**, met for the purpose of discussing a variety of topics, including possible scenarios to engage the staff of

Senator Landrieu and record the interactions using audio and visual equipment.

On or about the afternoon of January 23, 2010, **FLANAGAN** received a phone call from **O'KEEFE**, during which **O'KEEFE** invited **FLANAGAN** to participate in their activities concerning Senator Landrieu's office. **O'KEEFE** further invited **FLANAGAN** to meet the next day to finalize the details and coordinate with the other participants.

On or about Sunday, January 24, 2010, **BASEL**, **DAI**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE**, met to practice how they would interact with Senator Landrieu's staff and record the interaction with the Senator's staff the next day. During this meeting, the defendants discussed what they would wear—disguises to make them look like telephone repairmen—and what equipment they would use to record the interaction.

At approximately 10:00 a.m. on or about January 25, 2010, **BASEL**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE** met at an office located near the Federal Complex to finalize their plan, check the recording devices, and mount a small video camera in one of the disguises. During the meeting **O'KEEFE** explained to **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** how the recording equipment worked and directed them how to position themselves inside of the office.

On or about January 25, 2010, at approximately 11:00 a.m., **BASEL**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE** entered the Hale Boggs Federal Building and passed through the security screening. **DAI** remained outside of the building to provide support for **BASEL**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE**. **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** each dressed in blue denim pants, a blue work shirt, a light fluorescent green vest, a tool belt, and carried a white, construction-style hard hat. At least one hard hat contained a video recording device, with a small camera installed on the brim of the hat. **O'KEEFE** instructed **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** to wait for him to enter the Senate office

first and to come in shortly thereafter. **O'KEEFE** then entered the New Orleans office of United States Senator Mary Landrieu. Shortly thereafter, **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** entered the office.

Upon entering the Senate office, **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** stated to members of Senator Landrieu's staff that they were repair technicians from the telephone company and were there to follow up on reports of problems with the telephone system. **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** were each wearing a white, hard construction hat, a tool belt, a fluorescent vest, and denim pants and tops. When **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** entered the office, **O'KEEFE** positioned a digital recording device made to look like a cellular telephone in his hand so as to record **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN**.

One of Senator Landrieu's staff members (WITNESS 1) told **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** that she did not report any phone problems and that the office was not experiencing any issues with the phone system. WITNESS 1 then turned her attention to **O'KEEFE** and asked if she could help him. **O'KEEFE** responded that he was waiting for a friend, who had asked him to meet her in Senator Landrieu's office.

BASEL asked WITNESS 1 for permission to test the phone system, and WITNESS 1 directed him to a phone sitting on a desk reserved for a staff member for Senator Landrieu. **BASEL** then walked behind the desk, lifted the phone handset from the cradle, questioned whether there was a dial tone, and handled the receiver. **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** also pretended to call the phone with cellular phones in their possession. They told WITNESS 1 that they could not get through. **O'KEEFE** recorded these interactions.

BASEL also stated that he and **FLANAGAN** needed to perform repair work on the main telephone system and asked to be taken to the "central box." WITNESS 1 stated that she did not

know anything about the inner workings of the office phone system and told **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** that they would have to speak with a representative from GSA about it.

While in the office, in keeping with the pretextual story, **O'KEEFE** represented to **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** that he had recently attempted to place a call to the office of Senator Landrieu but that the call "wouldn't go through."

Subsequently, **WITNESS 1** requested that **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** accompany **WITNESS 1** to the main GSA office. Both men accompanied **WITNESS 1** to the GSA office.

In the hallway outside the GSA office, **WITNESS 1**, with **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** following her, encountered a manager with GSA. **WITNESS 1** explained to the GSA employee that **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** had come to Senator Landrieu's office to repair the phone system, which was not in need of repair.

BASEL and **FLANAGAN** again said they were telephone repairmen, and **BASEL** asked the GSA employee to take them to the phone system's "central box" so that they could perform repair work.

The GSA employee asked **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** if they had a work order or credentials. **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** responded that the work order and their credentials were in their truck, which was parked just outside of the building. The GSA employee then informed **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** that he would escort them to their truck so that they could provide the work order to him and present their credentials to him.

While **WITNESS 1** took **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** to the GSA office, **O'KEEFE** remained in Senator Landrieu's office. He continued to record the office and the remaining staff members. **O'KEEFE** stayed in the office for approximately six more minutes before pretending


to take a phone call from "Sam" and leaving the office.

Investigators with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Marshal's Office would testify that, in individual interviews on or about January 25, 2010, **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** admitted that they were not telephone repairmen and that they entered the office of Senator Landrieu under false pretenses. **O'KEEFE** further admitted that he planned the activity and recorded **BASEL** and **FLANAGAN** inside of Senator Landrieu's office. Investigators would further testify that **BASEL**, **DAI**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE** each admitted in individual interviews that they collectively brain stormed scenarios to engage the Senator's staff in conversation, which they would record. **BASEL**, **DAI**, **FLANAGAN**, and **O'KEEFE** admitted that they worked together in the planning, coordination, and preparation of the activities.

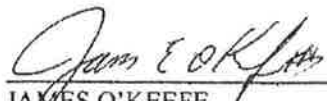
In this case, further investigation did not uncover evidence that the defendants intended to commit any felony after the entry by false pretenses despite their initial statements to the staff of the Senatorial office and GSA requesting access to the central phone system. Instead, the Government's evidence would show that the defendants misrepresented themselves and their purpose for gaining access to the central phone system to orchestrate a conversation about phone calls to the Senator's staff and capture the conversation on video, not to actually tamper with the phone system, or to commit any other felony.

Both the Government and the defendants, JOSEPH BASEL, STAN DAI, ROBERT FLANAGAN, and JAMES O'KEEFE, do hereby stipulate and agree that the above facts are true and that they set forth a sufficient factual basis for the crime to which the defendants are pleading guilty.


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